

CHRISTIAN KNUDSEN HOME

Built--1909 (brick)

Address--22 East First South

Present owners--Eugene H. & Christine D. Herman

Christian Knudsen, born in Norway in 1856, opened his huge Victorian home as a half-way house for Scandinavian travelers on their way to and from Salt Lake City. He built the house well, intending that it remain standing until the Millennium. Recognized as one of Lehi's hardest-working farmers and stock ranchers, Knudsen fell from atop a hay wagon on 19 June 1926 and died of a broken neck. The family sold the home in 1935. During World War II, it served as a detention center for several Japanese families. It was then converted into an apartment house, which it remained until purchased by V.J. and Jessie Carter in 1964. When Mike and Sandee Schanderl bought the home they began a systematic restoration of the home which was continued by Robert Trepanier, the owner of Porter's Place restaurant and wife Sandee. The home has recently been sold to Eugene and Christine Herman.